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1. Uranium ore fields are located five and one-half kilometers north of Stara Zagora in the direction of Draganovtsi (N 42-55, E 25-10) and four kilometers from the Bidechka stream. Mining operations were begun in "early" 1952. In August 1952, water from a mill on the Bidechka stream was used at the mine, but sometime prior to 22 September 1952, a pump was installed to pump water directly from the stream. Soviet experts are allegedly working at the mine.
2. In February 1952, [] a group of Soviet men and women, allegedly experts, working at a uranium mine located 500-1,000 meters north of Seslavtsi village (N 42-47, E 23-31), Sofia district. []
3. A hydroelectric plant is under construction in Koprinka village (N 42-38, E 25-20), 10 kilometers west of Kazanluk. Construction was begun about July 1952, and forced labor is being used to carry out the work. Soviet engineers and technicians are at the construction site.
4. In September 1952, [] the water of the Tundzha River near the bridge in the south sector of Yambol (N 42-28, E 26-31) was blue and yellow and [] the surface glistened as though spread with oil. [] this is the first time [] this type of chemical pollution, although [] the chemical pollution created by the various industries of Stara Zagora.

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